

**Goathurst Parish Council Meeting
Monday 11 September 2023 7.30 pm,
Goathurst Village Hall**

Minutes

1. Apologies – Simeon Lloyd
2. Declarations of interest on agenda items - None
3. Public forum -None
4. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of July 2023 – Danielle Filer approved and signed
5. Matters arising and action points not covered on the agenda – Fingerposts – grant available – looks like Enmore have had theirs done. Clerk has the info from last time – to have a look at it and send info out.
6. Planning applications: 29/23/000003/CM 22 Park Lane Goathurst, TA5 2DF – no objection/comment from the council.
7. Financial matters
 - 7.1. Precept in Barclays account – Barclays signees John Capell and Richard Kilbey signed cheque from Barclays to move precept £3,381 to Lloyds account
 - 7.2. Payments for approval – None
8. Footpaths – overgrown at present.
9. Roads – Danielle Filer reported pothole outside Croziers which has been repaired and reported the one by Hunstiles (gutter) which has had no action. Richard Kilbey will raise at LCN on Wednesday.
10. Dry Stone Walling Collapse on Park Lane – nothing happening, looks stable - can remove from agenda.
11. Village hall – Clerk to chase.
12. The ‘Telephone Exchange – Tim Parker may be able to do if time permits.
13. Village Speed Limit – Creech St Michael have white gates going into the village – DF emailed the clerk about it – they think they had a grant/fund towards, but the flashing lights are much more effective. Sign possibly for Kids Clubs – get them printed and laminated and Council will pay for it depending on the costs.
14. Wilding Goathurst – spoke to Brenda re bugboxes and hedgehog houses for the church through Kids Club – send Brenda the leaflets etc. Edward Strachan said can rewild the acre which was carpark, can put a natural play area in there for the children. Needs a proposal – from gate trim a path to the back corner – bench to sit on, stepping stones, wooden seesaw, wooden chimes, willow dome. Remains property of Halswell Estate – needs to be secure and locked, or general public – padlocked with code that people from village can have. Two concerns – anti-social behaviour and insurance. Clerk to ask Richard Ingleby about it.
Next Rewilding meeting is in Enmore in October.
Somerset Wildlife Trust meeting in November to get ideas.
15. Quantock Cluster / Dowsborough LCN – meeting on Wednesday which RK will attend, and DF will try to attend on Zoom.
16. Dog Fouling on Halswell Drive – hasn’t been as bad recently. Hopefully it has stopped.
17. Defibrillator update – happy to support ongoing maintenance charge. Through fundraising Flora and Kate have raised enough money for the Defrib – it has been ordered. Battery is £240 (5 years) and pads £84 (2 years) unless used. They have requested £50 for this year, to start the fund, and going forward they will do some fundraising to grow the kitty. The village hall have a

separate bank account to keep the funds. Will be kept outside the village hall. Happy to approve £50 to go in the kitty.

18. Correspondence – Message from Lisa, the Village Hall Committee asking if anyone from council wanted to represent.
19. Other matters to report- None
20. DONM – 13 November

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